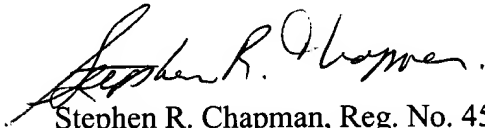


CONCLUSION AND REQUEST

The Examiner has rejected the traverse and made final the election of claims dated March 20, 2003. In compliance with 37 CFR 1.144, the Applicant hereby cancels the following claims that were not elected: 1-28; 55-106; 184-197; and 203-231. These cancellations are included in the preceding listing of claims which also reflect all amendments.

Applicant has cancelled all claims not elected at required; Applicant has cancelled all claims rejected by the Examiner; Applicant has followed suggestions offered by the Examiner and has amended only those claims suggested by the Examiner; and applicant has made no other amendments. Claims now are in proper condition to be allowed and the application is in condition to issue. Applicant so requests.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stephen R. Chapman".

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